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In re Application of:

Abel C. Dasylva et al.

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For: TECHNIQUE FOR INTERCHANGING

WAVELENGTHS IN A MULTI-

WAVELENGTH SYSTEM

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Sir:

I, Abel C. Dasylva, hereby declare that I am a co-applicant in the above-identified patent application and that I am also a co-inventor of the invention that is described and claimed in the above-identified patent application. I also hereby declare that prior to July 31, 2000, my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention that is described and claimed in the above-identified patent application as evidenced by the following:

1. Prior to July 31, 2000, my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention in Canada. At the time of the invention, I owed a duty of assignment of the invention to Nortel Networks

Limited (hereinafter "Nortel").

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- 2. Shortly after my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention, my co-inventors and I submitted a description of the invention to the appropriate Nortel patent review committee for purposes of obtaining approval to file a patent application for the invention. A date redacted copy of the description of the invention (i.e., our invention disclosure) is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 3. To the best of my knowledge, the Nortel patent review committee followed its standard procedures in reviewing and subsequently approving of the filing of a patent application based upon our invention disclosure. A date redacted copy of an internal Nortel memo approving the filing of the patent application is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 4. On August 2, 2000, our invention disclosure was forwarded to one of Nortel's outside patent attorneys for preparation of a patent application. A copy of a transmittal letter authorizing preparation of a patent application is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 5. Between August 2, 2000, and December 7, 2000, my coinventors and I had discussions regarding our invention
 disclosure with the outside patent attorneys, and provided
 additional supporting materials to the outside patent attorneys,
 all intended to assist the outside patent attorneys in preparing
 a patent application for the invention.

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- 6. On December 7, 2000, I was forwarded a draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal letter sending the draft is attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 7. On December 27, 2000, I was forwarded a final draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal email sending the final draft is attached hereto as Exhibit E.
- 8. On December 28, 2000, my co-inventors and I approved of the filing of the final draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal email sending our approval is attached hereto as Exhibit F.
- 9. On December 29, 2000, the above-identified patent application was filed. A copy of the filing receipt for the application is attached hereto as Exhibit G.
- 10. On January 30, 2001, I executed the above-identified patent application. A copy of my signed declaration is attached hereto as Exhibit H.

I further hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may

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Problem Solved by the inventions and the second sec

-Design of wavelength-interchanging OXCs with a minimum number of wave-mixing devices, i.e. a number of the order of the logarithm of the number of wavelengths.

Solutions that have been fried and why they didn't work;

-Dedicated wavelength-converters-Use of wavelength-space transformation equivalent to Marcus time-space transformationProblem: The number of wavelength converters is of the order of the number of wavelengths.

Sperincelements of territorisolved the problem and how they do it.

-Design of switch elements sharing state changers based on frequency comb-shifters-Design of the banyan butterfly interconnection pattern using frequency comb-shifters

Compercial salue of the invention to vorte and Nortels major competitors;

Performance advantages:-expected quality of transmissions better than other solutionsMore economical switch fabrics from the point of view:-The number of wave-mixing devices-Power consumption-Overall costs

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New Designs for OXCs with

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Wavelength Interchanging

Capabilities

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Overview

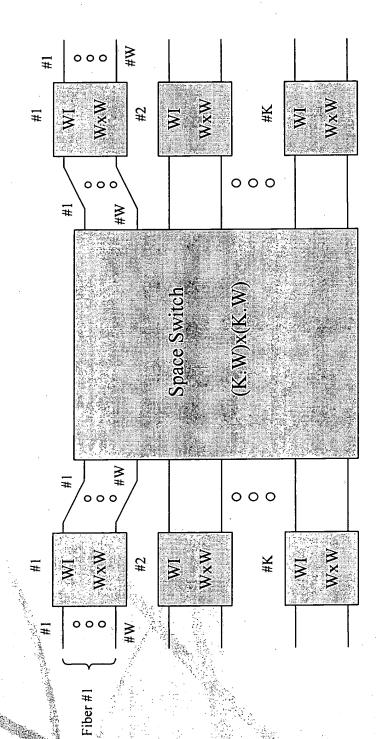
- Importance of wavelength-interchanging OXCs (WIXCs)
- Previous designs for WIXCs
- Problems associated with previous methods
- New design philosophy for WIXCs
- Banyan switch architectures
- Butterfly inter-stage connection pattern using wave-mixers
- Monotonic wavelength-conversion
- Perfect shuffle inter-stage connection pattern based on PFM
- HW requirements of banyan wavelength-inter-changers designed with the new method
- Future work

Role of WIXCs

- Navelength-compliance at network boundaries
- Bandwidth provisioning
- To reduce channel blocking
- To ease provisioning (simpler Qos routing)
- Contention resolution
- Deflection routing in optical packet switching networks

Previous Designs for WIXCs 1/3

Ingress/egress wavelength-interchange

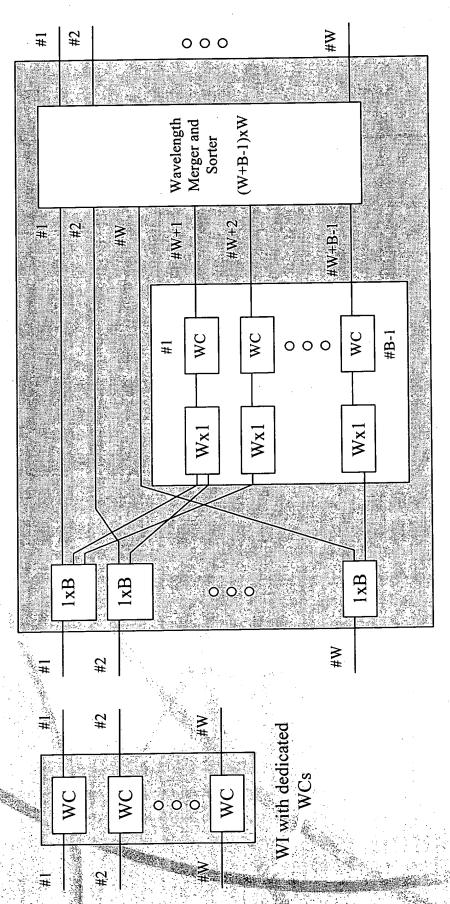


WI: Wavelength-interchanger



Previous Designs for WIXCs 2/3

Some WI designs



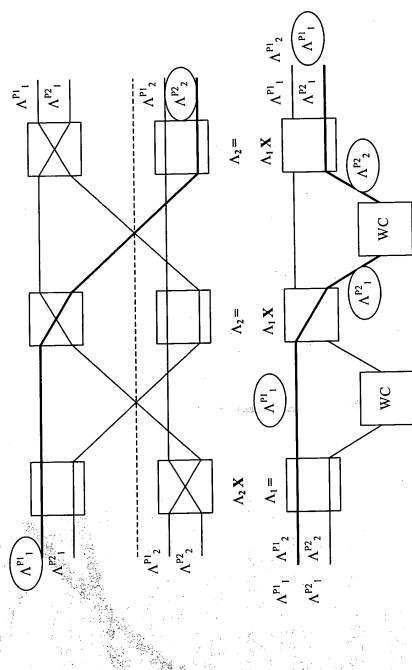
WI with shared WCs

WC: Wavelength-converter



Previous Designs for WIXCs 3/3

- Use of wavelength-space transformations
- At each stage, switching occurs both in the space and in the wavelength domain
- The resulting number of needed converters is high



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Problems associated with Previous Solutions

- No systematic method to build wavelength inter-connection networks with arbitrary HW requirements or blocking performance
- Poor use of the properties of wave-mixing devices
- Expensive HW requirements for wavelength conversion devices (the design for a rearrangeable Benes type WIXC still uses W/2 WM devices per interface)



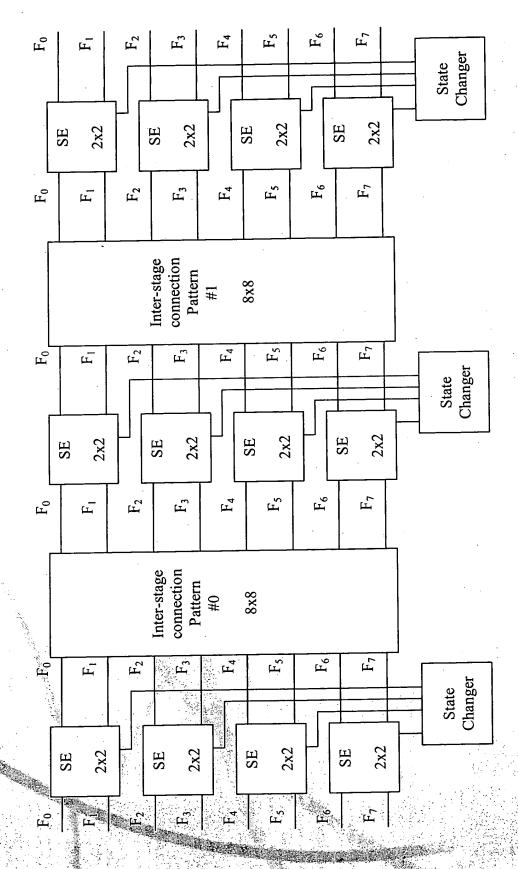
New Design Philosophy 1/4

- Clear separation of the wavelength-switching domain from the other domains (space and time)
- Wavelength-space-wavelength transformation
- Use of transparent parametric wavelength-conversion
- Separate the design of switch elements (SEs) from the design of specific Inter-Stage Connection (ISC) patterns
- Design of ISC patterns through a new method based on monotonic



New Design Philosophy 2/4

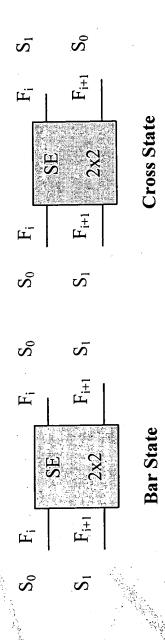
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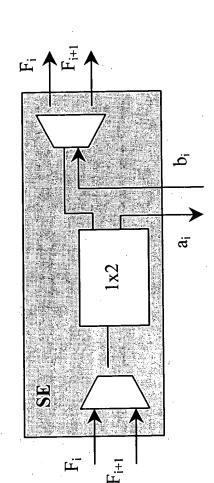


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New Design Philosophy 3/4

Design of 2x2 SEs

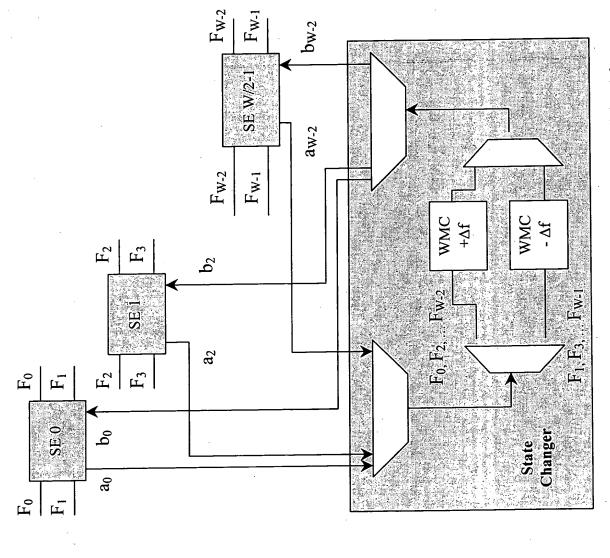






New Design Philosophy 4/4

Design of 2x2 SEs



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Banyan Switch Architectures 1/2

Basic ISC patterns described in terms of bit patterns:

$$\sigma_{h}(a_{n-1}...a_{0}) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_{h-1}...a_{0}a_{h}, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

$$\sigma_{h}^{-1}(a_{n-1}...a_{0}) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_{0}a_{h}...a_{1}, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

$$\beta_{h}(a_{n-1}...a_{0}) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_{0}a_{h-1}...a_{1}a_{h}, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

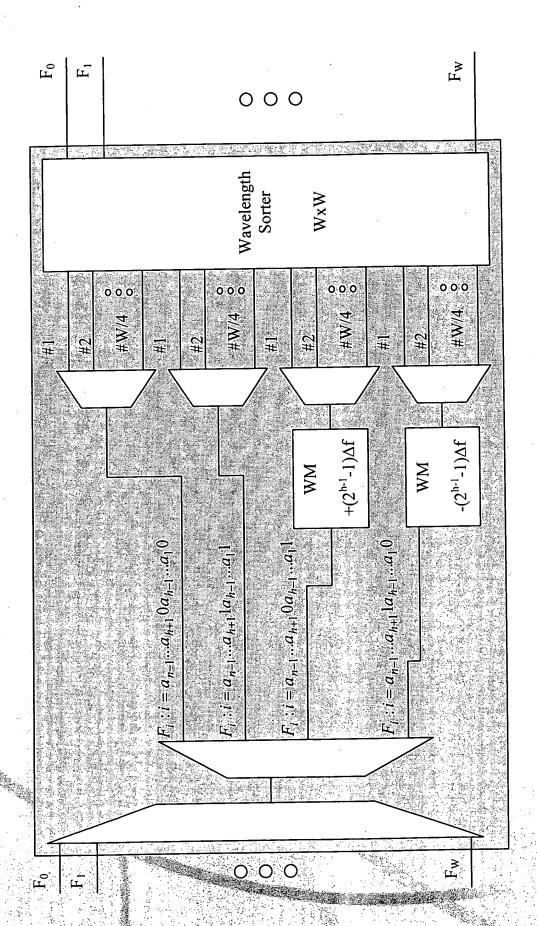
$$j(a_{n-1}...a_{0}) = a_{n-1}...a_{0}, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

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Banyan Switch Architectures 2/2

 (0)d	D/k) 0/k/2	D(z)
1(0)	r(II), 0~II~II	$\Gamma(II)$
σ _{n-1}	$\sigma_{ ext{n-1}}$	
J	σ^{-1}_{n-1}	σ^{-1}_{n-1}
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Butterfly ISC Pattern based on Wave-Mixing



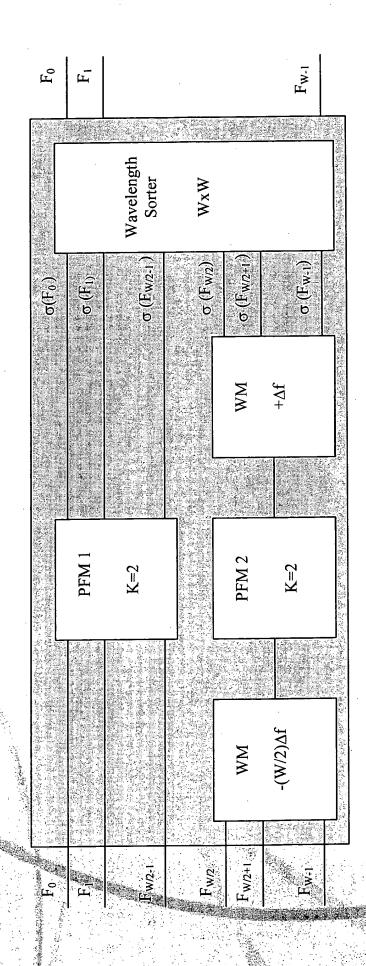


- Wavelength-mapping operation that preserves or simply inverts the ordering relationships of wavelengths
- number of wave-mixing components of the order of the logarithm of Devices implementing monotonic WC may be implemented with a the number of wavelengths (O(log(W)))
- Pseudo frequency multiplication
- Mapping of F_i to F_{ki}, for any i
- PFM is a specific example of monotonic WC



Perfect Shuffle ISC Pattern based on PFM

Perfect frequency shuffler using O(log(W)) wave mixing devices





HW Requirements of Banyan WIs Designed with the New Approach

New method

	Number of WM
*** **** **** ****	Devices used
Omega	$O(\log(W)^2)$
Omega ⁻¹	$O(\log(W)^2)$
SW-banyan	$O(\log(W))$
SW-banyan	O(log(W))
n-cube	$O(\log(W))$
n-cube ⁻¹	O(log(W))
Baseline	$O(\log(W)^2)$

Previous approaches usually require a number of WMs of the order of



Future Work

- Design of WIXCs with arbitrary properties in terms of the following characteristics
- Blocking properties: rearrangeable, wide-sense non-blocking, strictly nonblocking
- Inter-stage connection density: full/partial connection
- ..etc), and performance requirements for WM devices to be used in Impact on the transmission quality (noise, cross-talk, dispersion the new approach
- Multicast support
- Switches with several multiplexing levels (time, wavelength and space)

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INVENTION DISCLOSURE REVIEW SUMMARY/DISPOSITION

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Disclosure No.: 12946LO	Product Group:
Title of Disclosure: Scalable Wavelength - interchanges	Business Unit: EB75
Standards Related: No Yes	Nortel Inventors only
Applicable Standards:	Nortel and Contractor Inventors
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Thomas E. Anderson, Esq. Hunton & Williams 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20006-1109

Re:

Invention Docket No.: 12946RO

Title: Scalable Wavelength-Interchangers Based on Frequency Comb-Shifters

Required Filing Date: November 2, 2000

Dear Attorney Anderson:

Nortel Networks would like to retain your firm to prepare and file in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) a patent application directed to the invention disclosed in the enclosed invention disclosure by the above-referenced filing date. The application should be prepared according to Nortel Networks guidelines, and in accordance with the predetermined fee we have agreed with your firm; exclusive of drawing(s) and USPTO filing fees. If you are unable to for the total fee of about perform the requested work, please advise me immediately.

In addition to the invention disclosure, an invention disclosure Review Summary document is enclosed for your consideration. We request that you contact the primary inventor, Abel Dasylva, at (613) 763-5034 within two weeks of receiving this letter. Please ensure that the inventor(s) are advised of their responsibilities regarding their duty of candor to the USPTO, as well as any other relevant rules and/or laws including the best mode requirement.

We also ask that you quickly review the contents of this letter and its enclosures to ascertain whether or not any bar dates appear to be imminent. If so, we ask that you develop a plan of action to protect Nortel Networks' intellectual property rights in the invention disclosure.

Questions pertaining to substantive issues associated with the application should be addressed with the responsible attorney at (978) 288-6997, while administrative issues associated with the application should be addressed with me. Please be sure that all communications associated with the application, including billing statements and the application itself bear the above-referenced disclosure number.

Please send a substantially complete and final draft of the application to me along with a completed Nortel Networks Outsource's Patent Application Checklist at least 10 days prior to the above-referenced filing date to provide Nortel Networks' Intellectual Property Law Group sufficient opportunity to review the application prior to filing. You should seek to obtain the signatures on the formal papers from all inventors directly.

August 2, 2000 Thomas E. Anderson, Esq Page 2

Upon filing the application with the USPTO, immediately fax a copy of the application transmittal letter and Declaration to me, so that we have a record that the application has been filed. Thereafter, please send me a hardcopy of the application as filed along with an electronic copy in Microsoft Word 6.0 readable format on a 3 ½" floppy disk.

Please confirm receipt of this letter via facsimile. Should you have any questions, please call me at 978-288-6754.

Very truly yours,

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VIA FACSIMILE

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Re:

New U.S. Patent Application

Title: "SCALABLE WAVELENGTH-INTERCHANGERS BASED

ON FREQUENCY COMB-SIFTERS"

Your Ref.: 12946RO Our Ref.: 57983-000018

Dear Abel:

Enclosed please find a copy of a draft of the above-identified patent application for your review. The enclosed copy is exactly the same as the one that I emailed to you earlier.

Please review this application to determine if it accurately and adequately describes your invention, noting on the enclosed draft any comments or suggestions you may have.

After you have completed your review, please return the draft to me. The patent application will then be placed in a condition for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and a final version of the patent application will be sent to you for execution.

Also, pursuant to USPTO rules, a statement must be submitted disclosing to the USPTO all presently known information believed material to the examination of the above-identified patent application. Information is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that the information would be considered important in deciding patentability. Accordingly, please send for my review all presently known patents, publications, or other published materials relating to the subject invention. Please note that you are not required to do any research to locate information that is not already known by you.

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Mr. Abel Dasylva December 8, 2000 Page 2

Accurate and complete disclosure of material information facilitates the examination phase of the patent application, and most importantly, strengthens the presumption of validity accorded any patent issuing thereon.

If you have any questions concerning the review of the patent application or the submission of material information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at the above-listed number.

Sincerety yours,

Thomas E. Anderson

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cc: Holmes Anderson (via fax)

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EXHIBIT E

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From: Sent: To: Subject:

Anderson, Thomas Wednesday, December 27, 2000 9:45 PM Abel C. Dasylva (E-mail) Your: 12946RO / Our: 57983-000018



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EXHIBIT F

Anderson, Thomas

From:

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Sent:

Thursday, December 28, 2000 4:06 PM

To:

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Delfin Montuno

Subject: Filing of invention 12946RO

Thomas,

Delfin and I approve of your filing our invention 12946RO.

Thanks,

-Abel

EXHIBIT G





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Date Mailed: 02/12/2001

Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service Center. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the PTO processes the reply to the Notice, the PTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s)

Abel C. Dasylva, Residence Not Provided; Delfin Y. Montuno, Residence Not Provided; Guo-Qiang Wang, Residence Not Provided;

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Foreign Applications

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Title

Technique for interchanging wavelengths in a multi-wavelength system

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; and

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: "TECHNIQUE FOR INTERCHANGING WAVELENGTHS IN A MULTI-WAVELENGTH SYSTEM", the specification of which:

(X only one) (a) _ is attached hereto. was filed as U.S. Patent Application No. 09/749,946 on December 29, 2000, and was amended on _ __, 20__ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56, including, for a continuation-in-part application, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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Appln. No.: 09/749,946

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: TECHNIQUE FOR INTERCHANGING

WAVELENGTHS IN A MULTI-

WAVELENGTH SYSTEM

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Examiner: Agustin Bello

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Sir:

I, Delfin Y. Montuno, hereby declare that I am a coapplicant in the above-identified patent application and that I
am also a co-inventor of the invention that is described and
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hereby declare that prior to July 31, 2000, my co-inventors and
I conceived of the invention that is described and claimed in
the above-identified patent application as evidenced by the
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1. Prior to July 31, 2000, my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention in Canada. At the time of the invention, I owed a duty of assignment of the invention to Nortel Networks Limited (hereinafter "Nortel").

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Shortly after my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention, my co-inventors and I submitted a description of the invention to the appropriate Nortel patent review committee for purposes of obtaining approval to file a patent application for the invention. A date redacted copy of the description of the invention (i.e., our invention disclosure) is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

- 3. To the best of my knowledge, the Nortel patent review committee followed its standard procedures in reviewing and subsequently approving of the filing of a patent application based upon our invention disclosure. A date redacted copy of an internal Nortel memo approving the filing of the patent application is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 4. On August 2, 2000, our invention disclosure was forwarded to one of Nortel's outside patent attorneys for preparation of a patent application. A copy of a transmittal letter authorizing preparation of a patent application is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 5. Between August 2, 2000, and December 7, 2000, my coinventors and I had discussions regarding our invention disclosure with the outside patent attorneys, and provided additional supporting materials to the outside patent attorneys, all intended to assist the outside patent attorneys in preparing a patent application for the invention.

- 6. On December 7, 2000, one of my co-inventors was forwarded a draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal letter sending the draft is attached hereto as Exhibit D.
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EXHIBIT A



Invention Disclosure Submission Reply

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Transportation of the Invention of the contraction We describe a new technique to design wavelength-interchanging OXCs, that use a number of wave-mixing converters of the order of the logarithm of the number of wavelengths. These new OXCs minimize the required number of wavelengthconverters by the use of frequency comb-shifters.

Broblem Solved by the invention: -Design of wavelength-interchanging OXCs with a minimum number of wave-mixing devices, i.e. a number of the order of the logarithm of the number of wavelengths.

Solutions, that have been tried and why they didn't work;

-Dedicated wavelength-converters-Use of wavelength-space transformation equivalent to Marcus time-space transformationProblem: The number of wavelength converters is of the order of the number of wavelengths.

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-Design of switch elements sharing state changers based on frequency comb-shifters-Design of the banyan butterfly interconnection pattern using frequency comb-shifters

Commercial value of the invention to Nortel and Nortel's inglor competitors:

Performance advantages:-expected quality of transmissions better than other solutions More economical switch fabrics from the point of view:-The number of wave-mixing devices-Power consumption-Overall costs

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New Designs for OXCs with

Wavelength Interchanging

Capabilities

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Overview

- Importance of wavelength-interchanging OXCs (WIXCs)
- Previous designs for WIXCs
- Problems associated with previous methods
- New design philosophy for WIXCs
- Banyan switch architectures
- Butterfly inter-stage connection pattern using wave-mixers
- Monotonic wavelength-conversion
- Perfect shuffle inter-stage connection pattern based on PFM
- HW requirements of banyan wavelength-inter-changers designed with the new method
- Future work



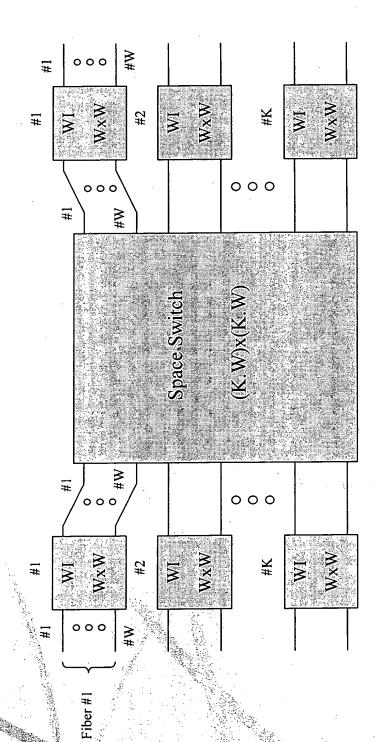
Role of WIXCs

- Wavelength-compliance at network boundaries
- Bandwidth provisioning
- To reduce channel blocking To ease provisioning (simpler Qos routing)
- Contention resolution
- Deflection routing in optical packet switching networks



Previous Designs for WIXCs 1/3

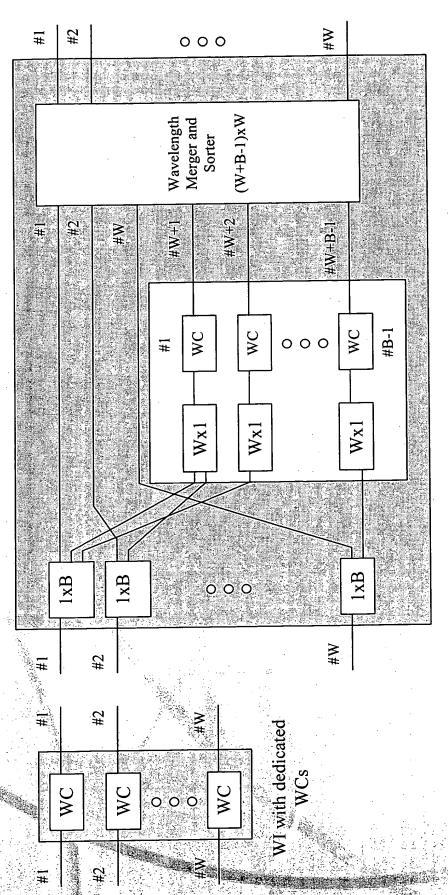
Ingress/egress wavelength-interchange



WI: Wavelength-interchanger

Previous Designs for WIXCs 2/3

Some WI designs



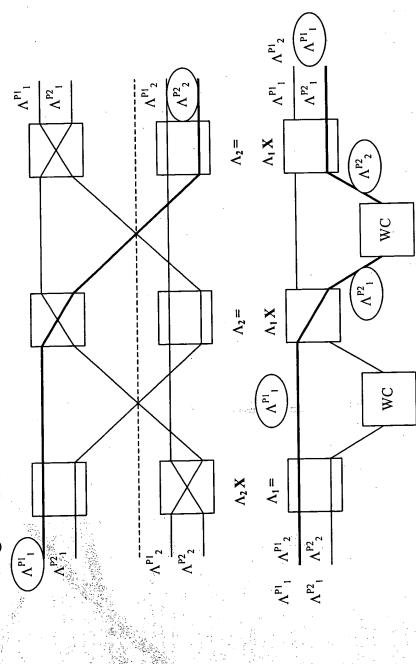
WI with shared WCs

WC: Wavelength-converter



Previous Designs for WIXCs 3/3

- Use of wavelength-space transformations
- At each stage, switching occurs both in the space and in the wavelength domain
- The resulting number of needed converters is high



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Problems associated with Previous Solutions

- No systematic method to build wavelength inter-connection networks with arbitrary HW requirements or blocking performance
- Poor use of the properties of wave-mixing devices
- Expensive HW requirements for wavelength conversion devices (the design for a rearrangeable Benes type WIXC still uses W/2 WM devices per interface)



New Design Philosophy 1/4

Clear separation of the wavelength-switching domain from the other domains (space and time)

Wavelength-space-wavelength transformation

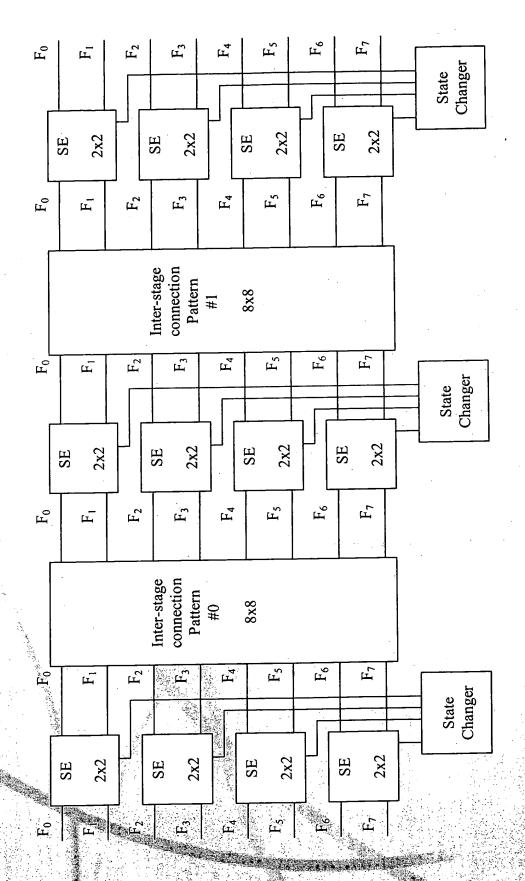
Use of trainsparent parametric wavelength-conversion

Separate the design of switch elements (SEs) from the design of specific Inter-Stage Connection (ISC) patterns Design of ISC patterns through a new method based on monotonic



New Design Philosophy 2/4

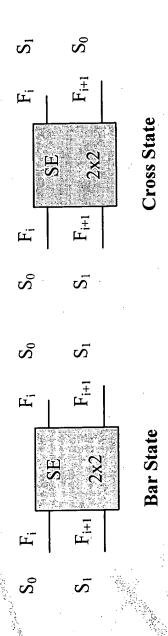
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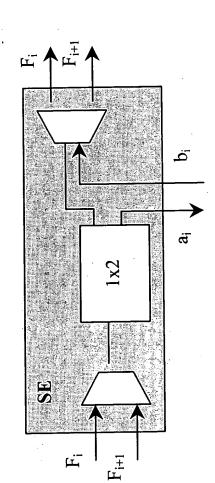




New Design Philosophy 3/4

Design of 2x2 SEs

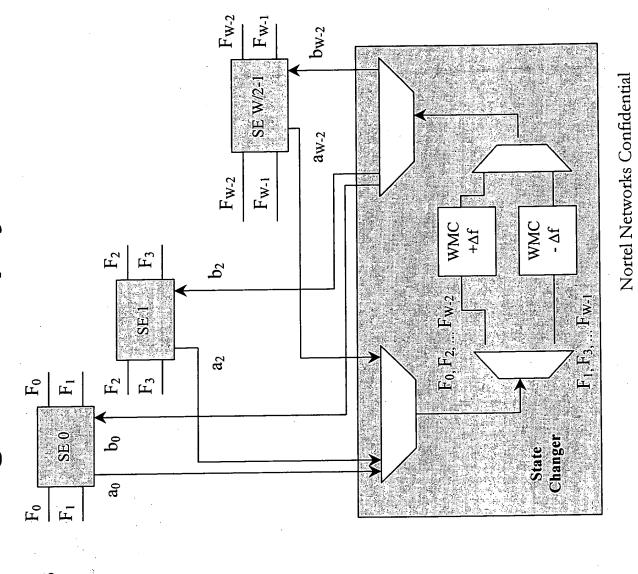






New Design Philosophy 4/4

Design of 2x2 SEs





Banyan Switch Architectures 1/2

Basic ISC patterns described in terms of bit patterns:

$$\sigma_h(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_{h-1}...a_0a_h, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

$$\sigma_h^{-1}(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_0a_h...a_1, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

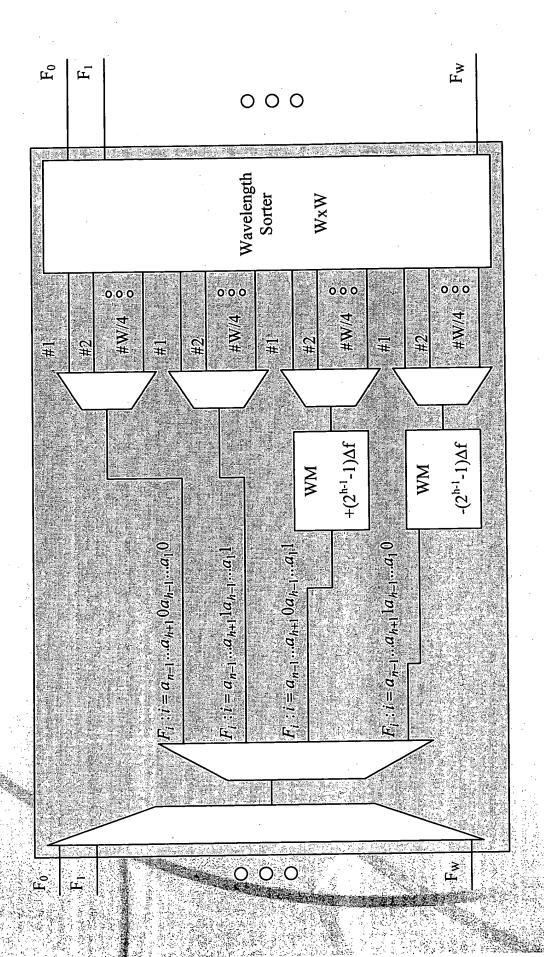
$$\beta_h(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_0a_{h-1}...a_1a_h, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

$$j(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_0, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

Banyan Switch Architectures 2/2

Networks

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	P(0)	P(h), 0 < h < n	P(n)
Omega	$\sigma_{ ext{n-1}}$	G _{n-1}	ſ
🏉 Omega ⁻¹		σ ⁻¹ σ _{n-1}	σ_{n-1}^{-1}
SW-banyan	ſ	$\beta_{ m h}$	ſ
SW-banyan		$\beta_{\rm n}$ -h	ſ
D-cube	$\sigma_{ ext{n-1}}$	$\beta_{\rm n}$ -h	ſ
n-cube-1		$\beta_{ m h}$	σ^{-1}_{n-1}
Baseline	ſ	$\sigma^{-1}_{ m h}$	ſ
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Wavelength-mapping operation that preserves or simply inverts the **Monotonic WC**

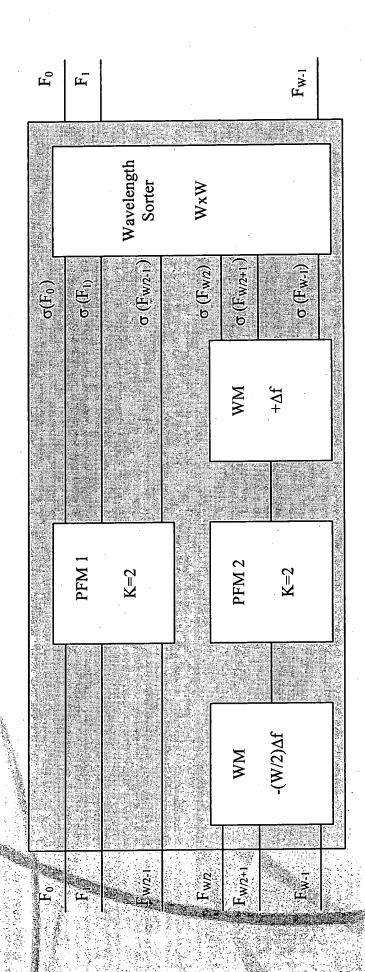
ordering relationships of wavelengths

- number of wave-mixing components of the order of the logarithm of Devices implementing monotonic WC may be implemented with a the number of wavelengths (O(log(W)))
- Pseudo frequency multiplication
- Mapping of F_i to F_{ki}, for any i
- PFM is a specific example of monotonic WC



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Perfect Shuffle ISC Pattern based on PFM Perfect frequency shuffler using O(log(W)) wave mixing devices



HW Requirements of Banyan WIs Designed with the New Approach

New method

	Number of WM
	Devices used
Omega	$O(\log(W)^2)$
Omega ⁻¹	$O(\log(W)^2)$
SW-banyan	$O(\log(W))$
SW-banyan	O(log(W))
n-cube	O(log(W))
n-cube ⁻¹	O(log(W))
Baseline	$O(\log(W)^2)$

Previous approaches usually require a number of WMs of the order of



characteristics

Blocking properties: rearrangeable, wide-sense non-blocking, strictly nonblocking

Inter-stage connection density: full/partial connection

etc), and performance requirements for WM devices to be used in Impact on the transmission quality (noise, cross-talk, dispersion,

the new approach

Multicast support

Switches with several multiplexing levels (time, wavelength and

space)

EXHIBIT B

Initial Review Date: INVENTION DISCLOSURE REVIEW SUMMARY/DISPOSITION Product Group: Disclosure No.: Scalable Wavelengh Business Unit: EBTS Title of Disclosure: Nortel Inventors only Standards Related: Nortel and Contractor Inventors Applicable Standards: Product/Project Technology Areas: Strategic Focus Area: **REVIEW SUMMARY** GIST OF THE INVENTION Summarize within a few lines what the major thrust of the invention is, e.g. a software program to be added to voice networks, such as Meridian, which will allow instantaneous translations from French to English. BENEFIT FROM THE INVENTION Summarize within a few lines how the invention will benefit its target benefactor, e.g. subscribers will be able to retrieve multi-lingual messages instantaneously without having to employ additional time consuming translation processes which may not be readily available. Ranking/Scoring Data Technological Thrust: \leq (0-3) **3** (0-3) Inventive Value: Commercial Value: OVERALL SCORE: _ Final Disposition Date: FINAL DISPOSITION Close without filing File Patent Application -- Target Filing Date: Reconsider/Table (see comments below) Combine with/include in Disclosure No.: _ Other (e.g., publish, Tech. Licensing, etc.) Comments: Critical Filing Date (If Applicable):

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Invention Docket No.: 12946RO

Title: Scalable Wavelength-Interchangers Based on Frequency Comb-Shifters

Required Filing Date: November 2, 2000

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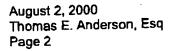
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Title: "SCALABLE WAVELENGTH-INTERCHANGERS BASED

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Your Ref.: 12946RO Our Ref.: 57983-000018

Dear Abel:

Enclosed please find a copy of a draft of the above-identified patent application for your review. The enclosed copy is exactly the same as the one that I emailed to you earlier.

Please review this application to determine if it accurately and adequately describes your invention, noting on the enclosed draft any comments or suggestions you may have.

After you have completed your review, please return the draft to me. The patent application will then be placed in a condition for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and a final version of the patent application will be sent to you for execution.

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Mr. Abel Dasylva December 8, 2000 Page 2

Accurate and complete disclosure of material information facilitates the examination phase of the patent application, and most importantly, strengthens the presumption of validity accorded any patent issuing thereon.

If you have any questions concerning the review of the patent application or the submission of material information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at the above-listed number.

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Thanks,

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I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: "TECHNIQUE FOR INTERCHANGING WAVELENGTHS IN A MULTI-WAVELENGTH SYSTEM", the specification of which:

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		amended on, 20 (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56, including, for a continuation-in-part application, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, under 35 U.S.C. § 365(a) of any international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States, or under 35 U.S.C. § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States, listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any international application(s) having a filing date before that of any application on which priority is claimed:

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Sir:

I, Guo-Qiang Wang, hereby declare that I am a co-applicant in the above-identified patent application and that I am also a co-inventor of the invention that is described and claimed in the above-identified patent application. I also hereby declare that prior to July 31, 2000, my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention that is described and claimed in the aboveidentified patent application as evidenced by the following:

Prior to July 31, 2000, my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention in Canada. At the time of the invention, I owed a duty of assignment of the invention to Nortel Networks Limited (hereinafter "Nortel").

- 2. Shortly after my co-inventors and I conceived of the invention, my co-inventors and I submitted a description of the invention to the appropriate Nortel patent review committee for purposes of obtaining approval to file a patent application for the invention. A date redacted copy of the description of the invention (i.e., our invention disclosure) is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 3. To the best of my knowledge, the Nortel patent review committee followed its standard procedures in reviewing and subsequently approving of the filing of a patent application based upon our invention disclosure. A date redacted copy of an internal Nortel memo approving the filing of the patent application is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 4. On August 2, 2000, our invention disclosure was forwarded to one of Nortel's outside patent attorneys for preparation of a patent application. A copy of a transmittal letter authorizing preparation of a patent application is attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 5. Between August 2, 2000, and December 7, 2000, my coinventors and I had discussions regarding our invention
 disclosure with the outside patent attorneys, and provided
 additional supporting materials to the outside patent attorneys,
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- 6. On December 7, 2000, one of my co-inventors was forwarded a draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal letter sending the draft is attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 7. On December 27, 2000, one of my co-inventors was forwarded a final draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal email sending the final draft is attached hereto as Exhibit E.
- 8. On December 28, 2000, my co-inventors and I approved of the filing of the final draft of the patent application. A copy of the transmittal email sending our approval is attached hereto as Exhibit F.
- 9. On December 29, 2000, the above-identified patent application was filed. A copy of the filing receipt for the application is attached hereto as Exhibit G.
- 10. On January 30, 2001, I executed the above-identified patent application. A copy of my signed declaration is attached hereto as Exhibit H.

I further hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the

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EXHIBIT A



Invention Disclosure Submission Reply

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And the second of the second o We describe a new technique to design wavelength-interchanging OXCs, that use a number of wave-mixing converters of the order of the logarithm of the number of wavelengths. These new OXCs minimize the required number of wavelengthconverters by the use of frequency comb-shifters.

Problem Solved by the inventions and an advantage of the solution of the solut

-Design of wavelength-interchanging OXCs with a minimum number of wave-mixing devices, i.e. a number of the order of the logarithm of the number of wavelengths.

Solutions that have been tried and whis they didn't work, the same and the same and

-Dedicated wavelength-converters-Use of wavelength-space transformation equivalent to Marcus time-space transformationProblem: The number of wavelength converters is of the order of the number of wavelengths.

Specific elements or steps that solved the problem and how they do it is the sale of the s

-Design of switch elements sharing state changers based on frequency comb-shifters-Design of the banyan butterfly interconnection pattern using frequency comb-shifters

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Performance advantages:-expected quality of transmissions better than other solutionsMore economical switch fabrics from the point of view:-The number of wave-mixing devices-Power consumption-Overall costs

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New Designs for OXCs with

Wavelength Interchanging

Capabilities

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Overview

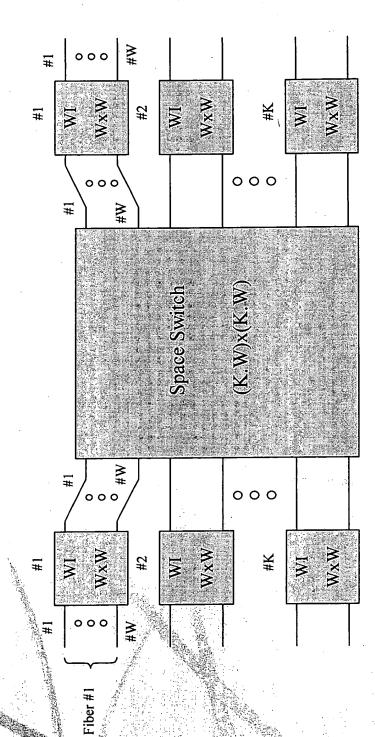
- Importance of wavelength-interchanging OXCs (WIXCs)
- Previous designs for WIXCs
- Problems associated with previous methods
- New design philosophy for WIXCs
- Banyan switch architectures
- Butterfly inter-stage connection pattern using wave-mixers
- Monotonic wavelength-conversion
- Perfect shuffle inter-stage connection pattern based on PFM
- HW requirements of banyan wavelength-inter-changers designed with the new method
- Future work

Role of WIXCs

- Wavelength-compliance at network boundaries
- Bandwidth provisioning
- To reduce channel blocking
- To ease provisioning (simpler Qos routing)
- Contention resolution
- Deflection routing in optical packet switching networks

Previous Designs for WIXCs 1/3

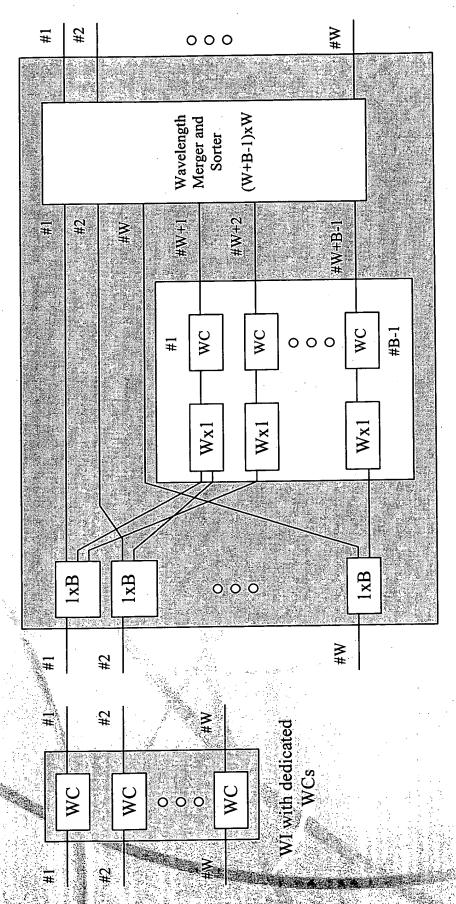
Ingress/egress wavelength-interchange



WI: Wavelength-interchanger

Previous Designs for WIXCs 2/3

Some WI designs



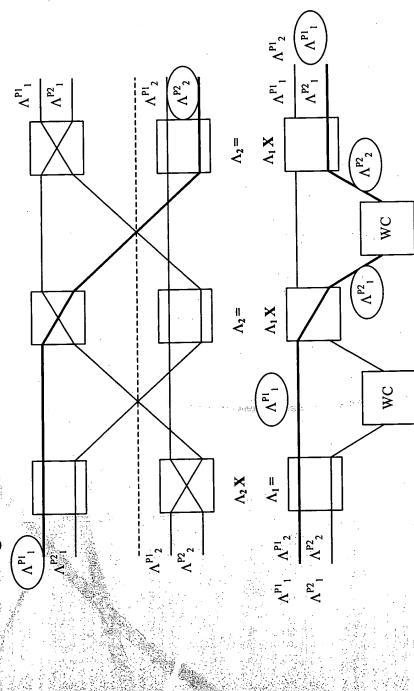
WI with shared WCs

WC: Wavelength-converter



Previous Designs for WIXCs 3/3

- Use of wavelength-space transformations
- At each stage, switching occurs both in the space and in the wavelength domain
- The resulting number of needed converters is high



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Problems associated with Previous Solutions

- No systematic method to build wavelength inter-connection networks with arbitrary HW requirements or blocking performance
- Poor use of the properties of wave-mixing devices
- Expensive HW requirements for wavelength conversion devices (the design for a rearrangeable Benes type WIXC still uses W/2 WM devices per interface)

New Design Philosophy 1/4

Clear separation of the wavelength-switching domain from the other domains (space and time)

Wavelength-space-wavelength transformation

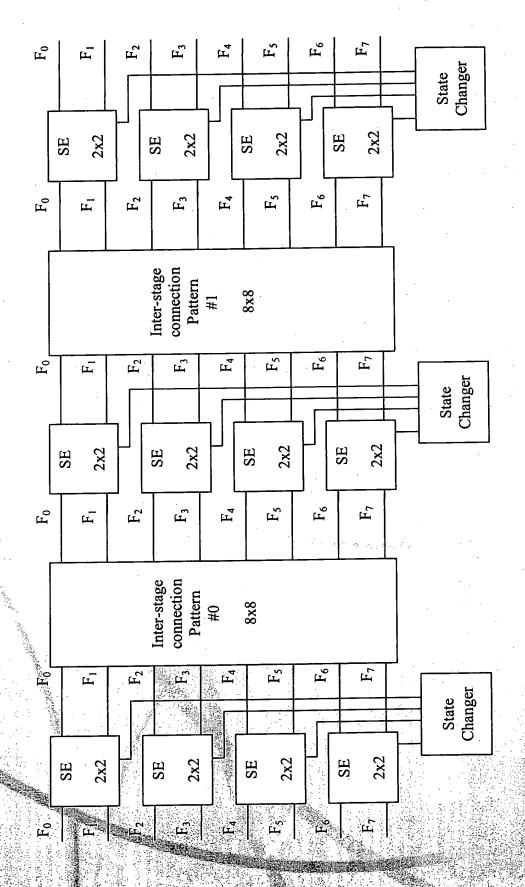
Use of trainsparent parametric wavelength-conversion

Separate the design of switch elements (SEs) from the design of specific Inter-Stage Connection (ISC) patterns Design of ISC patterns through a new method based on monotonic



New Design Philosophy 2/4

Example in the wavelength domain

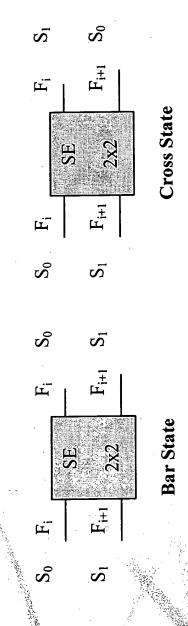


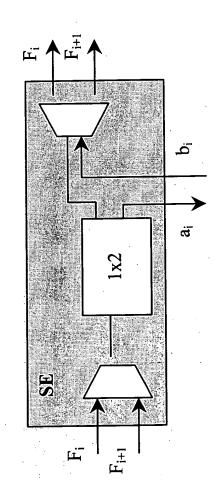
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Design of 2x2 SEs

New Design Philosophy 3/4

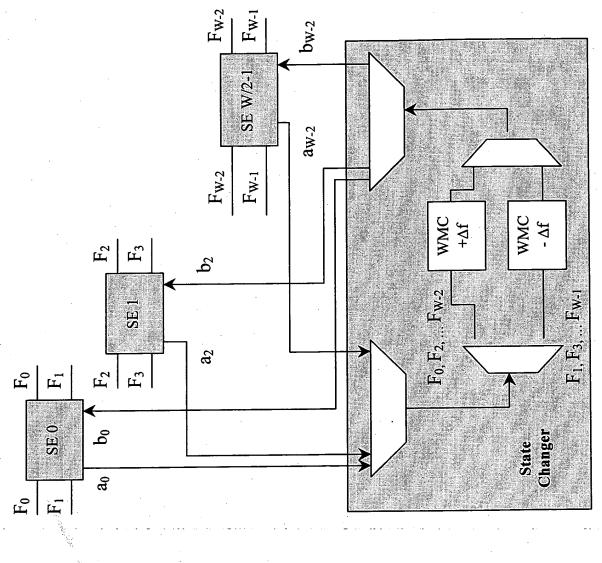






New Design Philosophy 4/4

Design of 2x2 SEs



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Banyan Switch Architectures 1/2

Basic IS@ patterns described in terms of bit patterns:

$$\sigma_h(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_{h-1}...a_0a_h, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

$$\sigma_h^{-1}(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_0a_h...a_1, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

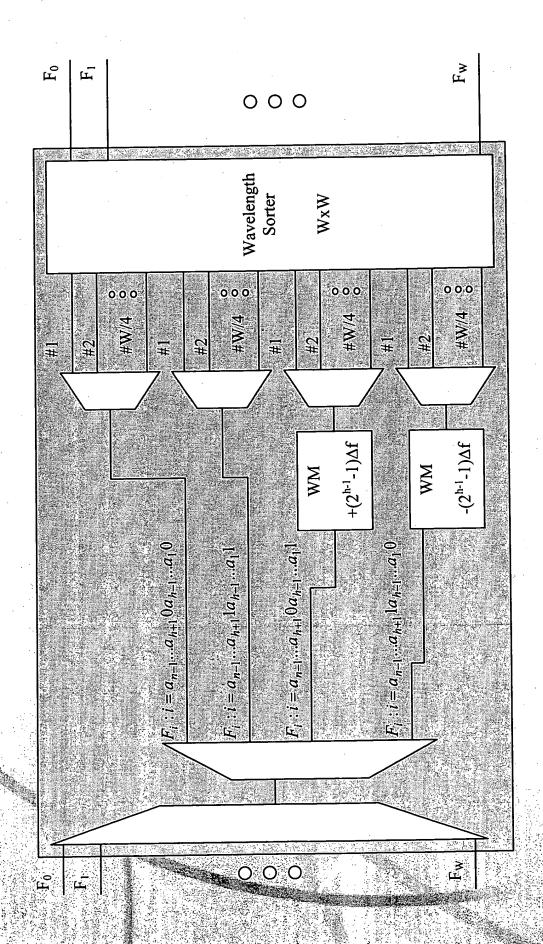
$$\beta_h(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_{h+1}a_0a_{h-1}...a_1a_h, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

$$j(a_{n-1}...a_0) = a_{n-1}...a_0, 0 \le h \le n-1$$

Banyan Switch Architectures 2/2

	P(0)	P(h), 0 <h<n< th=""><th>P(n)</th></h<n<>	P(n)
Omega	σ _{n-1}	σ _{n-1}	ſ
Omega ⁻¹		σ ⁻¹ σ ⁻¹	σ_{n-1}^{-1}
SW-banyan	ſ	β'n	ſ
SW-banyan	l l	β_{n-h}	ſ
aqno-u	$\sigma_{ ext{n-1}}$	β _n -h	ſ
n=cube⁻¹	ſ	$\beta_{ m h}$	σ^{-1}_{n-1}
Baseline	ſ	$\sigma^{-1}_{ m h}$	ſ

Butterfly ISC Pattern based on Wave-Mixing





- Wavelength-mapping operation that preserves or simply inverts the ordering relationships of wavelengths
- number of wave-mixing components of the order of the logarithm of Devices implementing monotonic WC may be implemented with a the number of wavelengths (O(log(W)))
- Pseudo frequency multiplication
- Mapping of F_i to F_{ki} , for any i
- PFM is a specific example of monotonic WC



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Perfect Shuffle ISC Pattern based on PFM

Perfect frequency shuffler using O(log(W)) wave mixing devices

 \mathbf{F}_0 Fw-1 $\overline{\mathbf{H}}$ Wavelength Sorter WxW $\sigma\left(\mathrm{F}_{\mathsf{W}/2\cdot1}
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m F}_0)$ WM +Δf PFM 1 PFM 2 K=2K=2-(W/2)∆f WM $F_{W/2}$



HW Requirements of Banyan WIs Designed with the New Approach

New/method

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		Number of WM
1.74		Devices used
1,484	Omega	$O(\log(W)^2)$
	Omega ⁻¹	$O(\log(W)^2)$
46.37	SW-banyan	O(log(W))
	SW-banyan	$O(\log(W))$
	n-cube	O(log(W))
	n-cube ⁻¹	O(log(W))
	Baseline	$O(\log(W)^2)$

Previous approaches usually require a number of WMs of the order of



Future Work

- Design of WIXCs with arbitrary properties in terms of the following characteristics
- Blocking properties: rearrangeable, wide-sense non-blocking, strictly nonblocking
- Inter-stage connection density: full/partial connection
- ..etc), and performance requirements for WM devices to be used in mpact on the transmission quality (noise, cross-talk, dispersion, the new approach
- Multicast support
- Switches with several multiplexing levels (time, wavelength and space)

EXHIBIT B

Initial Review Date: INVENTION DISCLOSURE REVIEW SUMMARY/DISPOSITION Product Group: Disclosure No.: Business Unit: EB75 Title of Disclosure: Scalable Wavelength - interchanges No Nortel Inventors only Standards Related: Nortel and Contractor Inventors Applicable Standards: Product/Project: Technology Areas: Strategic Focus Area: REVIEW SUMMARY GIST OF THE INVENTION Summarize within a few lines what the major thrust of the invention is, e.g. a software program to be added to voice networks, such as Meridian, which will allow instantaneous translations from French to English. for interstage connection BENEFIT FROM THE INVENTION Summarize within a few lines how the invention will benefit its target benefactor, e.g. subscribers will be able to retrieve multi-lingual messages instantaneously without having to employ additional time consuming translation processes which may not be readily available. fewer active components needed Ranking/Scoring Data Technological Thrust: $\underline{\underline{\mathsf{S}}}$ (0-3) **3** (0-3) Inventive Value: 3 (ó-3) Commercial Value: OVERALL SCORE: Final Disposition Date: FINAL DISPOSITION Close without filing File Patent Application -- Target Filing Date Reconsider/Table (see comments below) Combine with/include in Disclosure No.: Other (e.g., publish, Tcch. Licensing, etc.) Comments: Critical Filing Date (If Applicable):

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Re:

Invention Docket No.: 12946RO

Title: Scalable Wavelength-Interchangers Based on Frequency Comb-Shifters

Required Filing Date: November 2, 2000

Dear Attorney Anderson:

Nortel Networks would like to retain your firm to prepare and file in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) a patent application directed to the invention disclosed in the enclosed invention disclosure by the above-referenced filing date. The application should be prepared according to Nortel Networks guidelines, and in accordance with the predetermined fee we have agreed with your firm; exclusive of drawing(s) and USPTO filing fees. If you are unable to for the total fee of about perform the requested work, please advise me immediately.

In addition to the invention disclosure, an invention disclosure Review Summary document is enclosed for your consideration. We request that you contact the primary inventor, Abel Dasylva, at (613) 763-5034 within two weeks of receiving this letter. Please ensure that the inventor(s) are advised of their responsibilities regarding their duty of candor to the USPTO, as well as any other relevant rules and/or laws including the best mode requirement.

We also ask that you quickly review the contents of this letter and its enclosures to ascertain whether or not any bar dates appear to be imminent. If so, we ask that you develop a plan of action to protect Nortel Networks' intellectual property rights in the invention disclosure.

Questions pertaining to substantive issues associated with the application should be addressed with the responsible attorney at (978) 288-6997, while administrative issues associated with the application should be addressed with me. Please be sure that all communications associated with the application, including billing statements and the application itself bear the above-referenced disclosure number.

Please send a substantially complete and final draft of the application to me along with a completed Nortel Networks Outsource's Patent Application Checklist at least 10 days prior to the above-referenced filing date to provide Nortel Networks' Intellectual Property Law Group sufficient opportunity to review the application prior to filing. You should seek to obtain the signatures on the formal papers from all inventors directly.

August 2, 2000 Thomas E. Anderson, Esq Page 2

Upon filing the application with the USPTO, immediately fax a copy of the application transmittal letter and Declaration to me, so that we have a record that the application has been filed. Thereafter, please send me a hardcopy of the application as filed along with an electronic copy in Microsoft Word 6.0 readable format on a 3 ½" floppy disk.

Please confirm receipt of this letter via facsimile. Should you have any questions, please call me at 978-288-6754.

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Review Summary

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Title: "SCALABLE WAVELENGTH-INTERCHANGERS BASED

ON FREQUENCY COMB-SIFTERS"

Your Ref.: 12946RO Our Ref.: 57983-000018

Dear Abel:

Enclosed please find a copy of a draft of the above-identified patent application for your review. The enclosed copy is exactly the same as the one that I emailed to you earlier.

Please review this application to determine if it accurately and adequately describes your invention, noting on the enclosed draft any comments or suggestions you may have.

After you have completed your review, please return the draft to me. The patent application will then be placed in a condition for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and a final version of the patent application will be sent to you for execution.

Also, pursuant to USPTO rules, a statement must be submitted disclosing to the USPTO all presently known information believed material to the examination of the above-identified patent application. Information is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that the information would be considered important in deciding patentability. Accordingly, please send for my review all presently known patents, publications, or other published materials relating to the subject invention. Please note that you are not required to do any research to locate information that is not already known by you.

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